

CALIFORNIA WATER COMMISSION



State Water Board's Assistance to Small and Disadvantaged Communities

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Water Boards

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARDS

2014 Accomplishments

- CDPH Drinking Water Program transfer
- Reorganized staff / functions
- Small Community Wastewater Projects Funded
 - **15 projects totaling \$14 M**
- Small System Drinking Water Projects Funded
 - **107 projects totaling \$46 M**

2015 Accomplishments

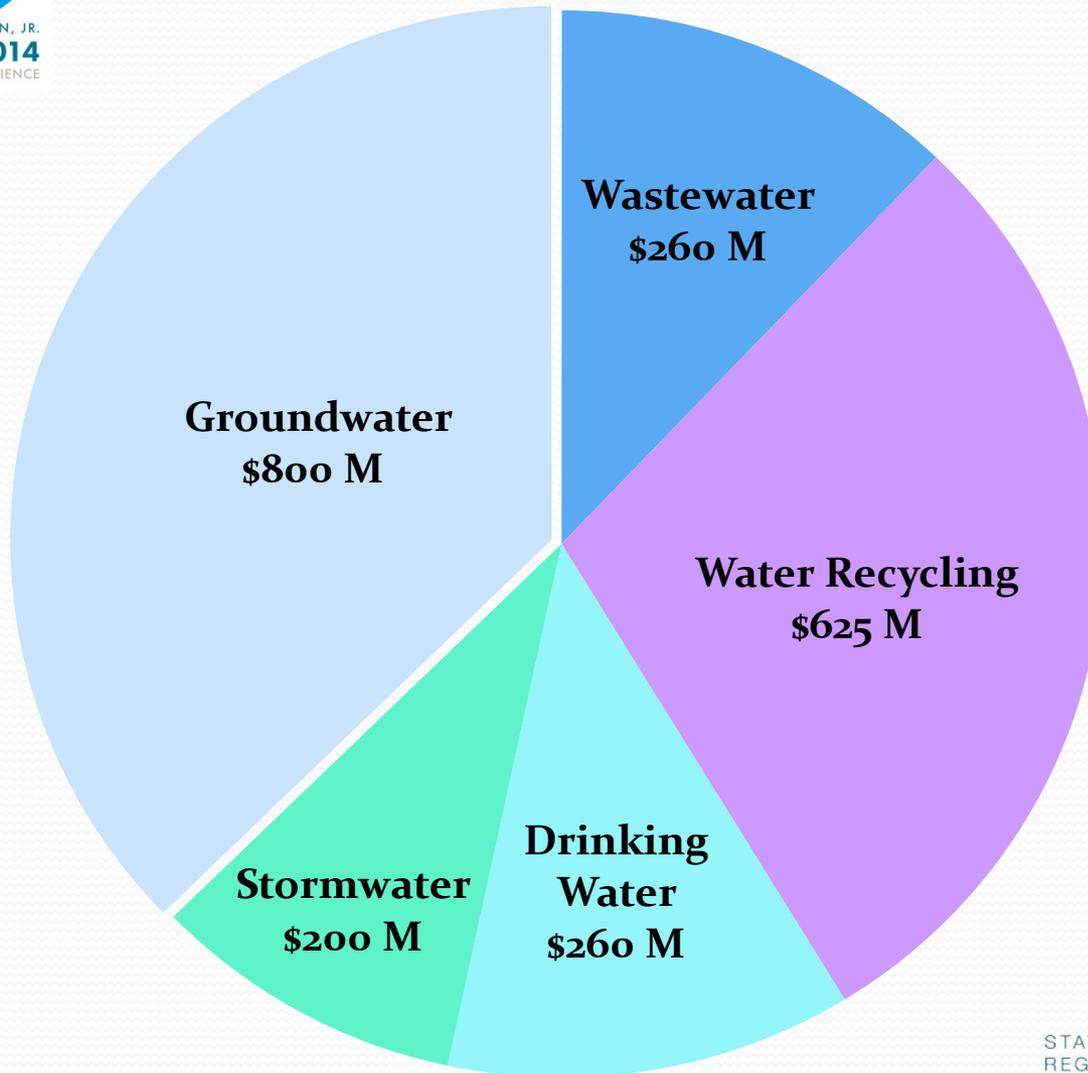
- New Drinking Water Policy adopted
- Streamlined application process & online reports
- Created Office of Sustainable Water Solutions
- Small Community Wastewater Projects Funded
 - **12 projects totaling \$9 M**
- Small System Drinking Water Projects
 - **71 projects totaling \$53 M**

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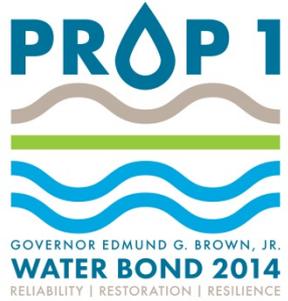


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State Water Board (\$2.145 B)



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Wastewater and Drinking Water

- Section 79724(a) allocates \$260 Million for Drinking Water Projects
- Section 79723 allocates \$260 Million for Wastewater Projects
- Funds targeted at disadvantaged communities
- Continuous application process

Wastewater

\$260 million (grants)



- Wastewater treatment, local sewers, sewer interceptors, water reclamation facilities, etc.
- Grants for small disadvantaged communities
 - Planning grants – 100% up to \$500,000
 - Construction grants:
 - Typical is 50% up to \$4 million
 - Increased grant amounts for severely disadvantaged communities, communities with higher wastewater rates, consolidation projects, etc.



Drinking Water

\$260 million (grants and loans)



- Projects to return systems to compliance, consolidation, water meters, replacement of aged transmission or distribution, groundwater wells, etc.
- Grants for small disadvantaged communities
 - Planning grants – 100% up to \$500,000
 - Construction grants (\$5 million maximum):
 - Depending on water rates, 80 – 100% grant
 - Severely disadvantaged eligible for 100% grant



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Additional Resources

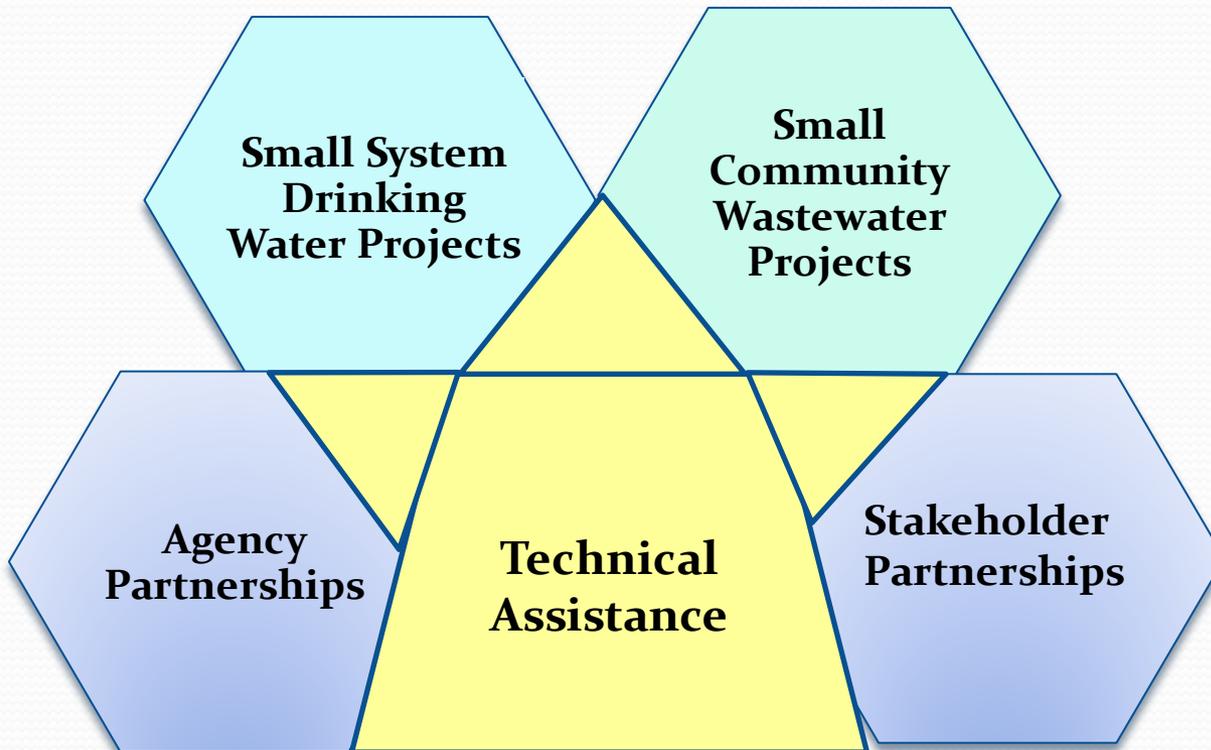
- Groundwater – \$800 million (grants and loans)
 - Prevent or cleanup contamination of groundwater that serves or has served as a source of drinking water
 - Guidelines will specify grant limits
- Stormwater – \$200 million (grants)
 - Multi-benefit green infrastructure, rainwater and stormwater capture and treatment
 - Reduced match if benefits DACs or economically distressed areas
- Water Recycling - \$625 million (grants and loans)
 - Treated municipal wastewater to augment or offset state/local fresh water supplies
 - Increased grant amount for small DACs

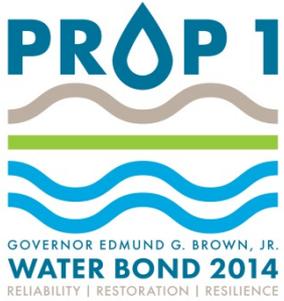
Office of Sustainable Water Solutions

- Established March 27, 2015 by AB 92 to serve the drinking water and wastewater needs of disadvantaged communities
- 3 key functions
 - PROJECT FUNDING - \$1 billion in pending and active drinking water and wastewater projects
 - FOSTERING PARTNERSHIPS – Co-funding, newsletters and outreach
 - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE – multidisciplinary scope

How OSWS Works

- Foundation is technical assistance and partnerships
- Filling critical gaps to result in successful projects





Technical Assistance Funding

* Up to \$85 million to help disadvantaged communities build capacity and successfully implement projects



Technical Assistance Activities



Technical Assistance

* Legal Services

* Engineering Services

* Consulting Services

Community Outreach & Rate Setting

Application Preparation

Operational issues and
troubleshooting

Financial Asset Management

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